

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the Application of )

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On: Compact Fluid Pump )

Assistant Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

Responsive to Office Action dated August 17, 2000, Applicant amends as follows.

## Please amend the claims as follows:

- 1. (Amended) A pump for use with a source of fluid, comprising:
  - a) a pump base;
  - b) a first connector <u>attached to and</u> projecting from said base for attachment to the source of fluid;
  - c) said base having through outlet means in fluid communication with the ambient atmosphere;
  - d) said first connector being hollow for fluid communication between the source of fluid and said <u>pump</u> base;

12/27/2000 DBREWER 00000003 180987 09397314 said connector and said through outlet means having their axes disposed in planes substantially normal to each other;

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